

Derby 25 Jan. 1855-

Dear Friend May -

I hasten to forward you
the accompanying documents relative
to the famous new book, by the Honora-
ble Amelia Murray - Nos 1 and 2
explain themselves -

At the same time
that I wrote the Enquirer, I also
addressed a line to Maria
Thompson as the person nearest
the throne, of my correspondents,
to obtain her knowledge and
judgment in the matter -

Her return was No. 3 of the doc-
uments - Copied from her
manuscript (for she employed one)
by Mrs. Tubner - at enclosed -

But as you will see, for private
uses only - I hope you will pro-
cure the Enquirer, and consider
whether you are not entitled
to publish its whole article,
& let it ferment, until some
thing further is revealed - I
will meanwhile keep watch
on this side, & stir the subject

as much as possible - If we get the
Queen, the South may have as
many of her cost off "Maids
of Honour", as will do them
good - I had a second
meeting here last evening, and
when Dr. Hutton alluded to the
subject, (as he did most eloquent
ly) the cheering was enthusiastic.
I also made use of the circum-
stances in my closing speech, and
brought down the house - Amelia
I am sorry to say, is quite too late.

The London Times copies the arti-
cle from the Inquirer, heading it,
"Can this be true?" Other papers are
copying it, and it will run the
round of the realm, no doubt.

I am publishing a speech
in the Lib. Advocate, which I made
in Manchester - It is a meagre re-
port, but is on the whole, the best of
my printed addresses, since com-
ing into the country. It was a two
hours performance, & not a person
seemed weary through the whole
of it - & Dr. Beard never did better,
than in his speech moving a vote of thanks -

Derby I fear will not come
to much, for want of a Mr. Turner
or Eliza Wigham. I could do more
than I now do in many places,
were there some one to pursue
the work. But one or two ad-
dresses did not make a Miss
Estlin or Miss Whitelegge, and
will not make them now. I
am beginning to be terribly afraid
some of our friends here will
rouse my moral obligation
to return to this country again, af-
ter a year at home. It will be a
severe question for my family.
Should it ever assume a seri-
ous form. Should it come to
my own mind as a question of
duty, & should the Board at Boston,
& especially Mrs. Chapman coun-
sel it it would be not a slight
matter for me to encounter, as
well as my dear ones at home.
But time & circumstance have
settled many questions for
us. Wisely & well. I love to think
& to call it, the guiding of a
Providence Divine.

I need not trouble you any longer
at this time - I will enclose a short
account of my last Derby Meeting, just
sent in - It was prepared by the Rev.
Mr. Walker the Chairman. The Mayor
was to have presided but was de-
tained too late for the opening - I have
ventured to add a line or two and
you may offer it to Mr. Garrison,
with a thousand thanks from me
for his Liberty Bell article, in a late
Liberator - I am using it well
It is as good as Isaiah.

I will also enclose a copy
of a letter from Professor Scott of
Aldale College to Mr. Armit-
stead on the receipt of our Leeds
Proceedings of the Leeds Meeting.
I hope you secure its publication
in the Lib. & Standard - I hope to send
him a stronger utterance in the
Manchester speech, though containing
much of the address at Leeds.

Will you remember me most
kindly to Mr. Edmund Jackson & Mr.
Theodore Parker as well as to the
Board generally - and believe
me - ever & always yours
Parker Pillsbury -